#### BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of Certification of Compliance	)	
with Section 254(e) of the Federal	)	
Telecommunications Act of 1996 and	)	Docket No. 22-GIMT-455-GIT
Certification of Appropriate Use of Kansas	)	
Universal Service Fund Support	·	

# THE SOUTHERN KANSAS TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC. ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER CERTIFICATION AND INFORMATION

Pursuant to Order of the Commission herein The Southern Kansas Telephone Company, Inc. submits its certification and information supporting its continuing designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier.

The Southern Kansas Telephone Company, Inc.'s attachments other than

Attachments 1 and 5 certifications are filed herewith as proprietary and confidential
under seal. The carrier believes that the information contained in these attachments are
of such competitive sensitivity that disclosure to any person other than the carrier, the
Commission, and Staff is prohibited by K.S.A. 66-1220(a). Disclosure of trade secrets
and confidential information to any person, including parties to this proceeding, is
prohibited unless the Commission finds the disclosure is warranted, after considering
all of the factors in that statute. The carrier believes that disclosure of the information
contained in these attachments would have a significant and adverse impact on its
competitive stance regarding existing or potential competing entities including wireless
carriers, competitive local exchange carriers, and incumbent local exchange carriers.
Regulatorily mandated disclosure of any or all of the subject information would create a
competitive bias in favor of any actual or potential competitor not required to provide

comparable information, reducing or eliminating any benefit to consumers otherwise resulting from unbiased competition and damaging the submitting company's ability to engage in fair competition.

Respectfully submitted,

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Before Commissioners:	Dwight D. Keen Susan K. Duffy, Andrew J. French	Commissioner		
In the Matter of Certification of with Section 254(e) of the Feder Telecommunications Act of 199 Certification of Appropriate Use Universal Service Fund Support	ral ) 6 and ) c of Kansas )	Docket No. 22-GIMT-455-GIT		
SECTION 254(e) CERTIFICATION FEDERAL HIGH-COST UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT FCC Docket Reference: CC Docket No. 96-45 and KANSAS UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND SUPPORT (Please type or print legibly) (Circle all Federal and Kansas Support Received)				

- 1. My title is Chief Operations Officer of The Southern Kansas Telephone Company, Inc. Company Cooperative). In this capacity, I am in a position of authority to direct how federal high-cost Universal Service Fund (USF), including Legacy or Frozen high-cost Loop support (HCL/FHCS) Safety Valve support (SVS), Connect America Cost Model (CACM) support, Connect America Fund (CAF I/CAF II) support, Alternative Connect America Cost Model (A-CAM/ACAM II) support, Rural Broadband Experiment support (RBE), Rural Digital Opportunity Fund (RDOF) support, and/or Kansas Universal Service Fund (KUSF) support received will be used and by this certification I am binding The Southern Kansas Telephone Company, Inc. (Company Cooperative) to the statements made in this certification.
- 2. The Southern Kansas Telephone Company, Inc. Company Cooperative) was named as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) by the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) for federal support purposes in Docket No. 98-GIMT-241-GIT by order dated December 5, 1997 and KUSF support purposes in Docket No. 98-GIMT-241-GIT by order dated December 5, 1997.
- 3. By this affidavit, I certify that all federal high-cost USF, including HCL, FHCS, SVS, CACM, CAF I/CAF II, A-CAM/ACAM II, RBE, RDOF, and/or KUSF received by The Southern Kansas

Docket No. 22-GIMT-455-GIT Attachment 1

Telephone Company, Inc. Company Cooperative) was used in the proceeding calendar year 2021 and will be used in the new calendar year 2023 *only* for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with Section 254(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act, and/or Kansas statutes and KCC requirements.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is true and correct.

(Pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-601.)

Signature

William McVey

Printed/Typed Name

Executed on UNE 13, 2022 date.

Email address: bill.mcvey@sktcompanies.com

## Annual ETC Certification of Requirements Imposed by the Commission in Docket Number 06-GIMT-446-GIT

1. Did your company experience any outage in the prior calendar year, as that term is defined in 47 C.F.R. § 4.5, of at least 30 minutes in duration for each service area in which an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier is designated for any facilities it owns, operates, leases, or otherwise utilizes that potentially affect: (i) at least 10% of the end users served in a designated service area; or (ii) a 911 specialty facility as defined in 47 C.F.R. § 4.5(e)? (Yes/No)\_\_\_\_. IF YES, PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

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Date and time of Onset of the Outage	Description of the Outage and its Resolution	Particular services affected	Geographic Areas Affected	Steps Taken to Prevent a Similar Situation in the Future	Number of Customers Affected
N/A					

(If necessary, please provide additional pages.)

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2. Please provide the number of requests for service from potential customers within the recipient's service areas that were unfulfilled during the prior calendar year. It applicable, please explain how your company attempted to provide service to those potential customers.  None
3. Please provide the number of complaints per 1,000 connections (fixed or mobile) in the prior calendar year.  None

4. A wireline ETC must certify that it is in compliance with the Commission's quality of service standards and a wireless ETC must certify that it is in compliance with the CTIA Code. Please complete the following, as applicable to your company:

## QUALITY OF SERVICE <u>WIRELINE</u> ANNUAL CERTIFICATION KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT

(Please type or print legibly)

1. My title is <u>Chief Operations Officer</u> of	of the The Southern Kansas Telephone, Inc.
(Company) Cooperative). In this capacity, I am in a	position of authority to certify whether the
Company/ Cooperative is complying with required qua	ality of service standards. I am binding The
Southern Kansas Telephone, Inc. Company/Cooperative	e) to the statements made in this certification.
2. By this affidavit, I certify that The S	Southern Kansas Telephone, Inc. Company,
Cooperative) is in compliance with the Commission's	s quality of service standards as adopted in
Docket No. 191,206-U.	
I certify under penalty of perjury under the law	vs of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is
true and correct. (Pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-601.)	Executed on <b>June 13</b> , <b>2020</b> (date).
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Signa	ature /
Willi	am R. McVey
Printe	ed/Typed Name
QUALITY OF SERVICE WIRELESS KCC Docket Reference: 00 (Please type or prin	6-GIMT-446-GIT
1. My title is	of the
(Company/ Cooperative). In this capacity, I am in a	
Company/ Cooperative is complying with required of	
(Company/Cooperative) to the s	statements made in this certification.
2. By this affidavit, I certify that	(Company/ Cooperative) is
in compliance with the CTIA Code.	
I certify under penalty of perjury under the law	vs of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is
true and correct. (Pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-601.)	Executed on(date).
	Signature
	Print / Typed Name

5. Each ETC must certify that it will be able to function in an emergency as set forth in 47 C.F.R § 54.202(a)(2).

## ABILITY TO FUNCTION IN AN EMERGENCY ANNUAL CERTIFICATION KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT

(Please type or print legibly)

- 1. My title is <u>Chief Operations Officer</u> of the <u>The Southern Kansas Telephone</u> <u>Company, Inc.</u> Company, Cooperative). In this capacity, I am in a position of authority to certify whether the <u>Company, Cooperative</u> is able to function in an emergency. I am binding <u>The Southern Kansas Telephone Company, Inc.</u> (<u>Company, Cooperative</u>) to the statements made in this certification.
- 2. By this affidavit, I certify that <u>The Southern Kansas Telephone Company</u>, <u>Inc.</u> Company Cooperative) is capable of functioning in an emergency.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is true and correct. (Pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-601.) Executed on June 13, 2022 (date).

Signature

William R. McVey

Printed / Typed Name

**6.** 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(1)(B) requires every ETC to advertise its services (including Lifeline services) throughout the service area for which it has been designated "using media of general distribution." **Please complete the following:** 

Name of Media	Type of Media	Geographic Areas Reached	Dates Published
The Eureka Herald	Newspaper	Beaumont, Piedmont, Reece, and Rosalia, Kansas	2/24/21
Prairie Star	Newspaper	Atlanta, Burden, Cambridge, Elk Falls, Grenola, Latham, and Longton, Kansas	2/25/21
The Cowley Courier-Traveler	Newspaper	Atlanta, Burden, Cambridge, and Dexter, Kansas	2/25/21
The Times-Sentinel	Newspaper	Clearwater and Viola, Kansas	2/25/21
SKT Clearwater and Viola Telephone Directory	Printed telephone directory	Clearwater and Viola, Kansas	5/3/21
SKT Southeast Kansas Telephone Directory	Printed telephone directory	Atlanta, Beaumont, Burden, Cambridge, Dexter, Elk Falls, Grenola, Latham, Longton, Piedmont, Reece, and Rosalia, Kansas	12/8/21
The Eureka Herald	Newspaper	Beaumont, Piedmont, Reece, and Rosalia, Kansas	2/24/21
Prairie Star	Newspaper	Atlanta, Burden, Cambridge, Elk Falls, Grenola, Latham, and Longton, Kansas	2/25/21

(If necessary, please attach additional pages.)

7. A competitive ETC must certify that it offers	s a local usage plan comparable to that of
the incumbent LEC. Please provide a descripti	ion of the local usage plan(s) that is
comparable to that of the incumbent LEC and of	complete the certification.
Not applicable	
COMPARABLE LOCAL USAGE PL	AN ANNIJAL CERTIFICATION
KCC Docket Reference:	: 06-GIMT-446-GIT
(Please type or p	orint legibly)
1. My title is	of the
(Company/ Cooperative). In this capacity, I am in	
Company/ Cooperative offers a local usage plan	comparable to that of the incumbent. I am
binding(Company/C	Cooperative) to the statements made in this
certification.	
2. By this affidavit, I certify that _	(Company/
Cooperative) offers a local usage plan comparable	to that of the incumbent.
I certify under penalty of perjury under the	e laws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing
is true and correct. (Pursuant to Kan	a. Stat. Ann. 53-601.) Executed on
(date).	
	Signature
	Printed/Typed Name